



Fairmount Park Task Force Meeting

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Thursday, August 8, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
New Hope Christian Community Center

The following people were present:

Stanley Stein	Yvette Brown	Magalene McKelvey
Gordy Hellenbrand	Victoria Jessie	Sharon Turner
Donna Smith	Michael Cherry	Janice Porter
Pamela Marino	Taylor Gould	Nicole Weisstanner
Demetrios Thomas	Marcus Moore	Dr. Calvin Durham
Officer Jones	Officer Almeida	Frank Duke
Susan Pollock	Chrishaun Smith	Christine Morris
Jim Herbst		

The meeting was chaired by Stanley Stein who welcomed everyone.

1. Neighborhood Quality

Sharon Turner, Neighborhood Services Manager, announced that the speedier Tall Weeds and Grass Abatement Program has been working overall. They will issue summons to property owners still abusing the system.

2. Police Report

Officer Brian Jones and Officer David Almeida were introduced to the task force. They replace Officer Paschal after his retirement. They were complimented from a community member for their already assertive problem solving.

3. Lafayette Boulevard Pedestrian Commercial Residential Overlay Update

Frank Duke, Director of Planning, and Susan Pollock, Planner, introduced proposed changes to the Lafayette Boulevard Pedestrian Commercial Residential Overlay District (PCRO). The proposed changes are a result of discussions with Taylor Gould, civic league president, and a citywide effort by the Planning Department to streamline processes. The PCRO was put in place several years ago as part of the vision to make the corridor more pedestrian friendly and to limit future development to that which is favorable to neighborhood residents. Changes are proposed in three categories summarized below with an example of a proposed change:

- The Table of Land Uses for the district (example: adding a used bookstore as a permitted use)

- Development Standards (example: decreasing setbacks for townhouses)
- Development Certificate (example: eliminating the Development Certificate process if a property meets all the standards)

[The PowerPoint Presentation and handouts are available and will be published to the City's Fairmount Park Task Force website.]

Community members were asked to consider the proposed changes. Initial questions were raised about parking and commercial drive-thru's. Changes to parking regulations are being considered citywide, but are not ready. Design standards can be written into regulations for commercial drive thru's that will protect the pedestrian nature of the corridor. Susan Pollock or Chrishaun Smith, Planner I, can be reached at 664-4752 or susan.pollock@norfolk.gov or chrishaun.smith@norfolk.gov with questions. When there is agreement on the proposed changes, the Fairmount Park Civic League can initiate a text amendment to the PCRO with the Planning Department.

4. Community Update

Taylor Gould gave the community update.

- The proposed Lafayette Boulevard streetscape design has been posted on the civic league's website for review by the neighborhood.
- The Youth Civic League is planning a Fun Day and a Fall Festival in Shoop Park.
- The civic league is partnering with Skeo Solutions and the Lafayette Wetlands Partnership to apply for a \$40,000 grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to continue wetlands mitigation

Next Meeting:

Thursday, October 10, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
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Norfolk, VA, 23509

Department Reports

1. Police Report

The most recent crime statistics will be provided at the meeting.

2. Neighborhood Quality Report – Sharon Turner

Planning District 51

Active Cases: July 31, 2013

Summary of Violations

Board Up Program	1
Code Enforcement Case	132
Code Enforcement Placard	25
Derelict Structure	6
Fire Department Red Tag	6
Grass Abatement Program	13
Inoperable Vehicle	6
Trash and Debris	16
Tall Grass and Weeds Fast Track	14
Tall Grass and Weeds Courtesy	21
Tall Grass and Weeds	32
Gas Red Tag	8

Total: 280

3. NRHA

- In Fiscal Year 2013, NRHA awarded four Equity Secure loans for a total of \$200,300 in funds.

(Utilities Report continued on back.)

4. Utilities Report – (as of July 2013)

(see “Construction Projects” in the left column of www.norfolk.gov/utilities for more information)

Fairmount Park Phase 10, Water & Sanitary Sewer Replacement

Project Scope: Evaluation, design and construction of water and sanitary sewer systems.

Project Budget: \$3,000,000

Project Status

Planning: 100% complete

Design: 100% complete

Construction: 85% complete

Project Schedule

Design: 100% Complete summer 2012

Construction: Began spring 2012

Estimated Completion: winter 2013/2014



Fairmount Park Phase 11, Water & Sanitary Sewer Replacement

Project Scope: Evaluation, design and construction of water and sanitary sewer systems.

Project Budget: \$3,645,661

Project Status

Planning: 100% complete

Design: 100% complete

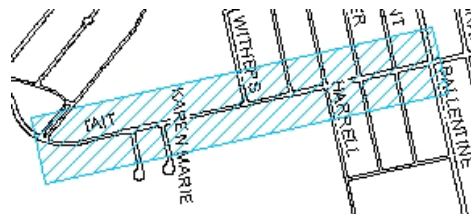
Construction: 1% complete

Project Schedule

Design: 100% Complete summer 2012

Construction: Begin spring 2013

Estimated Completion: winter 2014/2015



Fairmount Park Phase 12, Water & Sanitary Sewer Replacement

Project Scope: Evaluation, design and construction of water and sanitary sewer systems.

Project Budget: \$3,000,000

Project Status

Planning: 100% complete

Design: 50% complete

Construction: 0% complete

Project Schedule

Design Completion: summer 2013

Construction start: summer 2014

Estimated Completion: TBD

